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In re Application of: Outtrup et al.

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Serial No.: 09/382,096

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For: Alkaline Bacillus Amylase

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

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1. Amendment Fee Transmittal (in duplicate)
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AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application in response to the Office Action mailed March 7, 2000.

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated March 7, 2000 be extended for a period of 3 months from June 7, 2000 to September 7, 2000. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be \$870.

No additional claims fee is required.

Please charge the required extension and claims fees, estimated to be \$870, to Novo Nordisk of North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 14-1447. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

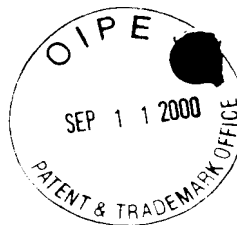
Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 5, 2000

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Reza Green", written over a horizontal line.

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 7, 2000, kindly amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

- At page 2, line 26, delete "Na₂SO₄" and replace with Na₂SO₄--.
- At page 2, line 26, delete "Na₂CO₃" and replace with --Na₂CO₃--.
- At page 2, line 26, delete "C₁₂-C₁₅" and replace with --C₁₂-C₁₅--.
- At page 2, line 27, delete "Na₂Si₂O₅" and replace with -- Na₂Si₂O₅--.
- At page 5, line 2, delete "55°C" and replace with --50°C--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

- Cancel claims 9-15 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Amend claims 1-5 and 18 under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(a)(2)(ii) as follows: